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Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a one (1) month extension of time to file an Amendment in response to the Office Action, which was due April 3, 2006 the Response now being due May 3, 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$120.00 for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United State Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Mail Stop: Amendment.

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